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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

As a consumer of broadband I urge you to reject AT&T's effort to dampen competition in the broadband space.

My local broadband provider is as valuable to me as are those to other areas around the country, and certainly those in rural locations. More choice has and will lead to better service for consumers, and this needs to be protected given the importance of broadband for all aspects of our society.

Yours,

Michael Kiparsky